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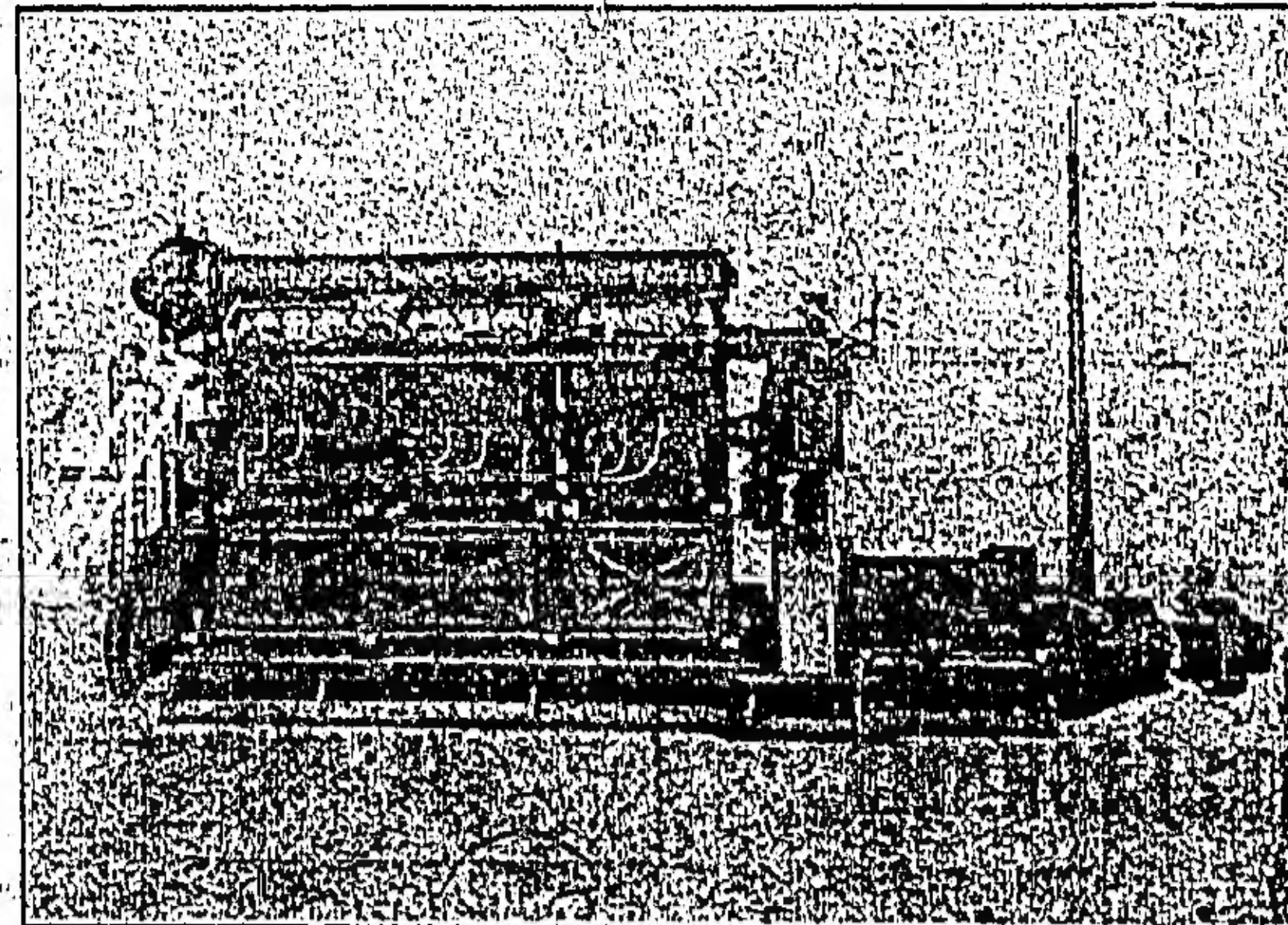
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South China Morning Post.

Progress of the War.

All records of modern warfare show that the greatest efforts have been exerted on Sundays and on auspicious national anniversaries. The present war is no exception. On Sunday last the Kiel fleet, or at least an important section of it, broke the security in which it has spent about six months of idleness, and on Wednesday the Kaiser's legions celebrated his birthday by making an heroic attempt to break through the lines of the Allies. Utter failure seems to have attended both efforts. Tremendous sacrifices have been made by the enemy to achieve nothing and, regarding both events as, impartially as we can, they point to a beginning of the end. The German squadron, when it sighted the British, turned tail and fled with the loss of one of its best units. The army in Flanders and on Erich's soil emerged from its 'funk holes' and smashed itself with utter abandon upon the trenches occupied by the Allies. The brains that directed former German attacks were conspicuous by their absence, or what is more probable, the Allies, prepared for the contingency, proved stronger and more resolute in the determination to hold their ground than the Germans gave them credit for.

Daily Press.

Loyalty in India.

The news that "all is quiet on the Frontier and in India" is eloquent proof of the loyalty of the people to the King-Emperor. When we mention that the Indian National Congress has recently held its annual session, this tranquillity will probably be considered all the more remarkable, because the Indian National Congress is very widely regarded as an organisation which is continually creating dissatisfaction in India, since it aims at obtaining concessions in the direction of autonomous government. The recent session of the Congress, however, has afforded the clearest proof that the aspirations of the intellectual Indian for a larger share in the government of the country are far from being inconsistent with complete loyalty to the British Raj. At this session of the Congress, which was held in Madras at the end of December, over three thousand people gathered from all parts of India. A suggestion had been made that the Congress should not be held while the war lasted, but the Chairman of the Reception Committee, Sir Subramania Iyer, a former Judge of the Madras High Court, in welcoming the delegates, expressed himself as glad that the suggestion, though made with the best of motives, had failed to find acceptance.

China Mail.

American Trade Depression.

Of the many evidences of the worldwide effect of the great European struggle, the reports that are just to hand of the trade depression in America furnish a striking example. They bear witness of a state of economic dislocation as are generally pronounced in the United States as being much worse than they were in the "panic year" of 1907. Although the war has benefited certain branches of industry, others have suffered severely and tend towards a worse condition. The action against the trusts is by many considered a little too precipitate, with the result that the effect is felt by many whom it was not intended to harm. The net earnings of the railways in the United States for the year ended July, 1914, show a decrease of 102,000,000 dollars. The Interstate Commerce Commission not having granted the railways the asked-for advance in rates, although the existing rates are low—lower, in fact, than almost anywhere. The Gray Steel Works have been running very short hours for the last four months, and 5000 men have been discharged.

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GENERAL NEWS.

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Woman Appointed as Probate Court Judge.

Jefferson City (Mo.) Dec. 10.—A woman to-day was appointed Probate Judge by Governor Elliott W. Major, an act without precedent in the memory of State officials. She is Miss Frances Hopkins and will preside over the Clay County Probate Court, succeeding her father, Judge Lewis G. Hopkins, who died yesterday.

Arctic Cold at Tientsin.

A letter dated Tientsin, the 13th instant, states that up to the time of writing the strong northerly gale which set in on the 11th had not blown itself out. There was a lull on the morning of the 13th but later on it began to blow again and looked very threatening. During the night of the 11th and 12th instant the temperature was lower than it has been in Tientsin since 1897. As a result of the severe weather, the river has been solidly frozen over, but the ice-breakers are constantly at work and keeping the ice on the move. They got the river open at Tangku on the 12th and it was expected that they would be equally as successful next day. After the storm is over it is expected that it will take two or three days to clear the river and all are confident that they will be able to deal with it.—North China Daily News.

On a Water-Logged Junk. The C.M.S. s.s. Hsin Chi discovered a water-logged junk on the 21st inst., when three miles off Weishaiwei Island, says the Shanghai Times. The night was pitch dark; slight snow was falling. Out of the darkness came a call for help. Captain Wilks immediately ordered a boat to be lowered, the crew of which found a water-logged junk from which six men were taken. The men were in such an exhausted condition that it was found necessary to bind them in order to hoist them on board the Hsin Chi. They reported that they had been wrecked five days before and had been without food during the whole of that time. They were immediately placed in comfortable quarters and their wants attended to, and on arrival at Shanghai seemed little the worse for the experience.

Charge Against Straits Chinese Directors.

Two Directors in the Kwong Yik Banking Company, Ltd., now in liquidation, namely, Boy Lian Chin, of 54, Scotts Road, and Lim Tian Siong, of 73, Prince Street, Singapore, who have been arrested upon a warrant by Chief Detective Inspector McAfee, were brought up in the second police court last week charged with criminal breach of trust as bankers. Mr. T. M. Chopard appeared and represented accused number one, and Mr. Johannes was for accused number two. The case was only formally mentioned, says the Free Press, a remand being granted till the 23rd inst.; the magistrate allowing bail with respect to each accused in the sum of \$10,000 in two sureties each of \$5,000.

A Pilgrim from Afar.

There was an interesting incident in the Singapore Police Court recently, when there appeared, on a charge of begging, a Mohammedan Chinese, Suliman Haji, a quiet, Mandarin-like old man, who claims to be a native of the far away hills of northern China, on the border of Mongolia. He spoke no dialect known to the court interpreters, a fact which would have proved an insurmountable obstacle, but for the fact that Mr. Zehnder, who was in court, is able to speak the strange and, in this part of the world, practically unknown tongue. The venerable-looking old man, his age is 64, said that he was returning from Mecca. He admitted being stranded in Singapore but said that he had friends who would help him. For the time being, he was sent to the House of Detention.

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American Comment on The Air Raid.

London, Jan. 21.—The British people are not perturbed by the air raid, which was a veritable fiasco, apart from the killing of four civilians. The New York Evening Post calls the raid "a bit of pure savagery" and a "mere exhibition of futile ferocity." The Tribune says that the raid will take the German people a long time to wipe out. Even the New York American, which is not very friendly to Great Britain, ridicules the idea of "dropping bombs on a baby's cradle." All other neutral opinion is equally hostile to Germany.

Turkey is vainly trying to organize a force for the invasion of Egypt. An official message from Cairo says that the only way the Turks are likely to enter Egypt is as prisoners of war, inasmuch as the defenses are impregnable.

The bad weather has stopped the operations in Poland, although Russia is rapidly making progress in Bukovina and Hungary. In France the British are pouring in reinforcements, which alone are necessary to break the German line. The spirit of the British is excellent, while the French have some men who they have just liberated two classes. Only good weather is now needed.

Owing to heavy freight rates and the manipulation of the market the price of bread is still rising in Great Britain, but little inconvenience is caused by this, as there is an abundance of work.

Austrian Men-of-War Disabled. Harbin, Jan. 22.—The Petrograd Agency states that according to news received from private sources in Rome, one Austrian battleship has been considerably damaged and is undergoing repairs, while several other Austrian men-of-war have been damaged, lately, by mines in the northern Adriatic. A telegram received from Bucharest states that the Austrian Government, in order to hinder the desertions of militia-men, who are slipping across the border into Roumania, has reinforced the frontier guards, who consist exclusively of Magyars and Austrians.

German Atrocities in Russia. Harbin, January 20.—The Petrograd Telegraphic Agency wires that the Russian Foreign Minister has handed a Note to the Spanish Ambassador, with a request that it be transmitted to the Austrian and German Governments. It is in regard to German and Austrian atrocities to wounded; the conduct of Germans and Austrians towards the civil population; and the violation of the Hague Convention, and complaints of the use of dum-dums and the non-observance of the Geneva regulations concerning the protection of the enemy's medical staff and sick and wounded belligerents. The Note also charges the Austrians and Germans with not respecting the Red Cross. It quotes from official

documents, photographs and the evidence of eye-witnesses.

Austria May Lay down Arms. New York, Jan. 19.

According to the Daily Mail, reliable advices have been received from an official quarter to the effect that Austria intimated to Germany that she was under the sheer necessity of suing for peace and that Austria was prepared to cede E to Galicia to Russia. Germany replied that she would consent to the intended restoration of peace on the terms of ceding no territory, adding that such overtures had better be shelved for the present. The consensus of opinion is that the dismemberment of Turkey will be inevitable.

Anti-War Outcries in Vienna. London, Jan. 19.

According to a despatch from Rome, some eye-witnesses stated that the crowds in the streets of Vienna gave a boisterous demonstration against the war on the night of Christmas Day, and freely used as missiles thrown at the policemen and soldiers fragments of the cobblestones they had broken. As the result, the police and soldiers were forced to storm the barricades put up in the labourers' quarter.

Important Conference in Austria. The Austrian Government has convoked an important conference for 16 days, presumably for a deliberation upon the terms for peace.

Peace Movement in Austria. According to a despatch from London, the German League has announced that Austria has commenced a peace movement and applied to the Vatican for intervention.

More German Prisoners from Tsingtau.

Tsingtau, 20th January.—According to reports from Tsingtau, after the examination of German residents in Tsingtau it was found that there were many German combatants disguised there. Over sixty Germans were arrested and sent to Japan as prisoners on the 16th instant.

More German Troops on Austrian Frontier.

Germany has decided to despatch 500,000 troops to check the Russian advance by the way of Budapest.

Germans Retreating. Petrograd, January 18.—A military critic of the Novoye Vremya points to the fact that the Germans are preparing to retreat from the battle line along the Vistula and remarks that the Germans' latest movements indicate preparations for a fresh battle along the entire line.

A Tax on Absent Belgians. Harbin, Jan. 23.—The Copenhagen correspondent of the Petrograd Agency states that, according to information received from Brussels, the German Government-General of Belgium has introduced a tax on rich Belgians who have left the country and who have not returned by March 1. It is a property tax ten times larger than the usual one. Half the proceeds are to go to the municipalities and half to Germany.

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R. BLACK, Superintendent. Hongkong, Jan. 22nd, 1915.

Singapore's "Cold Snap."

Says the Straits Times of Jan. 19.—While some residents of the Peninsula are bewailing intense heat, Singapore revels at the moment in a cold snap. The low temperature was particularly noticeable early this morning and even at midday to-day the thermometer registered only 79 in this office.

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BIRTHS.

NEWALL.—On January 30, at 11, The Peak, Hongkong, the wife of S.G. Newall, of a daughter.

HAWKINGS.—On Sunday, January 24, at the Victoria Nursing Home, Shanghai, the wife of W.J. Hawkings, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

DUTTON-CALLAGHAN.—On Saturday, 30th January, at St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, by the Right Rev. G. H. Lander, D.D., Bishop of Victoria, George Alan Dutton, third son of Harry B. Dutton, J.P., and Mrs. Dutton of Curzon Park, Chester, to Georgina Elizabeth Stuart Callaghan, eldest daughter of the late T. Stuart Callaghan and Mrs. Corlett Moore of Whitehaven, Cumberland. Shanghai papers please copy.

DEATHS.

SOUTER.—On January 21, 1915, at Hyderabad, India, Helona Lovett Souter, wife of the late Sir Frank Henry Souter, K. C. S. I., I. E.

STOREY.—On January 24, at the Municipal Isolation Hospital, Shanghai, Harold Storey (of Manchester, England) Aged 22 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 1915.

THE MARCH OF TEMPERANCE.

We were asked, last week, to lay before our readers a proposal emanating from some of the religious bodies in the Colony, as to a novel manner of helping on the various funds that have been established for the benefit of those who are suffering by reason of the war. It was suggested that, for so long as the war shall last, each man in the Colony should abandon the practice of buying drink for others and of allowing others to buy it for him. The money thus saved, it was urged, would be available for charitable purposes. We did as we were asked, and left the question in the hands of our readers, our responsibility ending there. What fruit the suggestion has borne up till now we are unable to say; but we are fully prepared to find that it will bear fruit, if only from the fact that the world's attitude towards temperance and total abstinence has undergone so immense a change during the past few years—and even months.

All of us can look back on a time when the teetotaler was regarded as being anywhere between a lunatic and a humbug; sportsmen and men of the world would have none of him, and even business men and the medical faculty were inclined to look askance at him as being an unpractical crank. To find the reason for this attitude one has to look back a little. Abstinence from alcohol was not always regarded by the non-abstainers with contempt. Setting aside the facts that the abstinent party can trace their ideas back both to classical and to Biblical history, and that the Mohammedans have eschewed strong drinks ever since the days of the Prophet, and regarding the matter only in the light of modern ideas, there was a time when for a man to decline a drink did not brand him as a maniac. We may take it that modern temperance dates back to the time of the celebrated Father Mathew, the Irish Capuchin who, in 1838, established his Total Abstinence Association and, by his extraordinary eloquence and moral force, enrolled a hundred and fifty thousand converts in less than nine months. Coming to England he preached with almost equal success in Liverpool and Manchester; other religious denominations followed in his wake and, for a while, the total abstinence idea spread swiftly and its adherents were looked upon as perfectly sane people meriting extra respect rather than extra contempt. Gradually, however, the new notions got mixed up more and more—too much, in fact—with religion, and soon the only teetotalers to be found were those of the kill-joy, Puritan school. It is but fair to the Church of England Temperance Society and the League of the Cross to say that these at least were, in the main, opposed to fanaticism where anti-drink views were concerned; but this does not affect the fact that, as a whole, temperance advocates (and, by the way, we use the word temperance in the conventional sense) were regarded as already stated.

For the change to a more rational view we have to thank first the sportsmen and, second, the men as to whose manliness there could be no possible doubt—Lords Roberts and Kitchener for example—who have so strongly set their faces against even the moderate use of alcohol when serious business is toward. The sportsman's admission that he cannot train on alcohol, and the army or navy officer's statement, founded on experience, that his men's nerve and powers of endurance are decreased by the presence of it in the system, have been, of themselves, sufficient to change the opinions of many a man who formerly regarded temperance as womanish and weak. The persons who, in the past, have done the greatest harm to the temperance cause are the extremists who were forever preaching, and who did not leave sufficient to the individual man's reason. No sensible man is going to give up his glass of beer merely because some crazy creature tells him that his body will end in the workhouse and his soul in Hell if he drinks it. We do not feel that it is either likely or desirable that Britain will ever become entirely an abstaining nation (and, by the way, the more attempts there are at "prohibition" the farther off will real temperance flee); but we do believe that, from ceasing to be a reproach to a man, abstinence will gradually come to be considered by every class as far more manly than the reverse, and that if not abstinence at least temperance (now in the literal interpretation) will become the rule rather than the exception among the rising generation.

"Scorchers."

It is a gratifying feature that the extended use of motor-cars and motor-cycles is having the effect of opening up the New Territories to many who would otherwise be unacquainted with the beauties of the mainland opposite. There is always a danger, however, that those who use the roads will abuse the privileges which they are permitted to enjoy; and, from what we hear, this is precisely what some of those who own motor-cycles are doing. "Scorching" along the Tai Po road is, we are told, quite common nowadays—to the danger not only of the cyclists (which is largely their own affair) but to pedestrians as well. The law lays down a maximum speed for these vehicles, but policemen are few and far between on the New Territory roads, and consequently the offenders have matters pretty much their own way. We hope, however, that they will realise that they have obligations to discharge as well as privileges to enjoy. A word to the wise should suffice.

An Ill-used Deportee!

The "twenty dollars or a month" which Mr. Haselund handed out to a Police Basin cook yesterday will serve as a useful reminder to that individual that he cannot fly in the face of the Ordinance by circulating Chinese coin, and that he is not expected to set up as a money-changer without a licence. We should have wasted no time in useless lamentation had an extra month been tacked on to this financier's sentence, for robbing a deportee. We have no wish to see undesirable remain in this Colony one second longer than need be, but while they are here in police custody they are at least doing no harm and ought not to be robbed with impunity. On the other hand, the magistrate certainly had to take into account the fact that the victim was not being deported for his excess of virtue, and it is not impossible that a series of the same sort of tricks on others may have been the cause of the Government's having given him a hint to go into business out of British territory; in which case one is disposed to chuckle at his getting a taste of his own medicine.

A Commemoration.

Today is "Martyr's Day," as it used to be called in some parts of England—the anniversary of the death of King Charles the First. Up till comparatively recent years the Book of Common Prayer provided a set form of service for the commemoration, and the wisdom of Convocation or Parliament in removing it has not been universally acknowledged. However, the martyred King's memory is not likely to be allowed to die. In the first place, the British schoolboy will keep it alive, if only because the said British schoolboy as a rule has no use for Cromwell. It is vain to tell him that Cromwell was one of the world's greatest generals, organisers and rulers. He murdered, or was instrumental in murdering, one of the Stuarts—that is enough for our youthful friend. As he gets older he may realise that luckless family did England no good, and there is just a chance that about five per cent. of him will thereupon go over to the other side; but the other ninety-five will still find that romance pulls harder than cold practicality, and will remain loyal to the loves of their boyhood. What the peculiar charm in the Stuarts was we shall never know; but it was there; there was a something in them that, from the days of James I of Scotland down to 1745 prompted men and women of every class to give their last cent and their last drop of blood for them. The family that can, for more than three centuries, claim such passionate loyalty, cannot have been quite so bad as its enemies have represented it. There must surely have been one or two redeeming points somewhere.

The Macao Service.

The Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company notifies us that the steamers from Macao to Hongkong now leave at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m., both week-days and Sundays; and that the excursion steamer returns from Macao at 2 p.m. on Sunday, February 7.

DAY BY DAY.

A CHEERFUL FRIEND IS LIKE A SUNNY DAY WHICH SHEDS ITS BRIGHTNESS ON ALL AROUND. AND MOST OF US CAN, IF WE CHOOSE, MAKE OF THIS WORLD EITHER A PALACE OR A PRISON.—Avebury.

The Weather.
Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 61; overcast.
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 52; overcast.

The Mails.
Siberian Mail.—Due per a.s. Sado Maru to-day.
Siberian Mail.—Closed per a.s. Chenan to-day at 9 a.m.

Count the Columns.
Yesterday the *Telegraph* published 33 columns of solid reading matter. To-day there will be 40 published.

The Dollar.
The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 93.16d.

Tennis Lawn.
Tenders are being invited, for the construction of a tennis lawn at Mountain Lodge.

Authorised Architect.
The name of Mr. Gerald George Wood has been added to the List of Authorised Architects.

To Consignees.
Consignees of cargo by the Nippon Maru are reminded that goods remaining undelivered after Monday will be subject to rent.

Left Yesterday.
Dr. and Mrs. O. M. Heasley left by the s.s. Nubia yesterday. Dr. Heasley, after paying a visit to South Africa, will rejoin his wife at home.

Left for Home.
Among the passengers who left for home on the s.s. Nubia yesterday were Col. Mrs. and Miss Baker Brown, Capt. Wood, and Major and Mrs. Pritchard.

Price of Sugar.
The maximum retail prices of sugar have been revised by a Proclamation issued by His Excellency. The new prices will be found under the official market prices on page 8.

Colony's Finance.
The Colony's revenue during November was \$859,292.51 and the expenditure \$1,081,390.10. The balance at the end of the month was \$3,047,698.99 against \$3,209,796.58 on October 31.

Chinese Theatricals.
A Chinese theatrical performance in aid of the Prince of Wales' Fund will be given by the students of Queen's College in the Central Hall of the College on February 4, 5 and 6.

Stole Electric Bulbs.
At the Police Court, this morning, a Chinese was sentenced to three months' imprisonment and four hours' stocks for the larceny of two electric bulbs from under a verandah in Queen's Road Central.

Useful Diaries.
From Messrs. W. G. Humphreys and Co. we have received a very neat pocket diary issued by the General Accident Fire and Life Assurance Corporation, Ltd., and an office diary published by the State Assurance Co., Ltd., for both of which companies Messrs. Humphreys are the local agents.

War Risks.
A despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated December 16, states that the rate of premium for the insurance of cargo at the Government War Risks Insurance Office has been reduced from two guineas per cent. to one guinea and a half per cent. as from the 11th ult.

Dentistry Ordinance.
His Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinance:—Ordinance No. 16 of 1914.—An Ordinance to provide for the regulation of qualified Dental Surgeons, and otherwise to regulate the practice of Dentistry.

Company Warning.
The following notification by the Registrar of Companies appears in the Government Gazette:—"Whereas I have reasonable cause to believe that The Shanghai Wah Hing Fire and Marine Insurance Company, Limited, is keeping in a place where it transacts business outside the Colony a register of members without having a valid licence under the Companies Ordinance, 1911, now therefore I hereby give notice, under section 36 of the said Ordinance, that at the expiration of two months from the date hereof the name of the said company will, unless cause to the contrary be shown, be struck off the register and the said company will be dissolved."

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

GERMANY HARD HIT.

Can She Recover from the Blows?

Germany has received a staggering series of blows this week—such a succession of reverses that we may be able to date the closing chapter of the war from the last days of January, 1915. Apart from the loss of a cruiser and a couple of Zeppelins and the casualties which the Russians have inflicted in Poland, it is now announced that in France alone over 20,000 men of the Kaiser's Army were accounted for in three days' fighting. We have before made the point that, since Germany reached the limit of her strength months ago, every man lost meant a weakening of her powers of resistance. What the effect of reducing her armed forces by 20,000 men will be in these circumstances had better, for the sake of Germany, be left to imagination. It is a certainty that in her present state she cannot stand the strain of warfare on these lines.

No Hope.
With facts like these before us even the sceptics must admit that the Allies already have the upper hand. There is now no chance whatever of the Germans breaking through or pushing back the cordon of steel that holds them. Indeed, the point is whether they are even able to withstand the pushing process themselves when the Allies really assume the offensive. For one fact must not be overlooked—namely, that these huge losses to which we have referred have resulted not from any concerted scheme on our part but merely from retaliation following violent attacks by the enemy. To change the metaphor, the Germans have been hurling themselves at a stone wall, and they have suffered terribly in the process.

Men and Guns.
There is another important point which must be taken into account, and that is that, while Germany is wasting the Allies go on adding to their strength all the time. Though we are told very little about the reinforcing of our armies, it was freely believed in London when the last mails left that before the spring, and perhaps early in the New Year, Britain would pour half a million more men into France. Then we have to remember that the French have trained and equipped even larger reserves. And to these facts must be added the fresh factor that the Allies now hold the advantage in the thing most essential of all, next to men, for recent fighting has shown that our artillery now outweighs and outranges that of the Germans decisively. It is whispered about, in fact, that we are equipping our own field artillery with the new and improved French 75, which is admittedly the most formidable mobile gun in existence.

Failure.
To sum up the situation, it can be said that the Germans have failed utterly in France and Belgium. They have lost the initiative and offensive for good. They have been held up even at the moment of their greatest military advantage and our weakness. When the Allies reach the moment of greatest advantage, and General Joffre finds himself with men to play with and the fine weather coming on, things will begin to move with a vengeance. The Germans once boasted that they would take Paris if it cost them a million men. It has already cost them well on the way to three million, and they have taken neither Paris, Calais, nor Warsaw. Even brilliant success would have been damped by such a holocaust as this. How it exaggerates and embitters failure the Kaiser and his people will probably discover before long.

F. M. S. Rubber.
The increased export of rubber from the F. M. S. during 1914 was 7,824.89 tons, the total being 30,897.19 tons. Duty collected on rubber during the year amounted to \$1,238,147.85, and the value of the rubber exported was \$53,451,980. Of the total exported 1,704.48 tons were sent to the Straits Settlements, and 1,606.11 tons to the United Kingdom.

1890.

HONGKONG TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

Compiled from the "Hongkong Telegraph" files for the week ending Jan. 30, 1890.

The Dollar.
January 30.—"The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 3/2 1/2."

Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.
January 23.—"The Directors of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., beg to submit to the shareholders the report and statement of accounts for the half-year ending December 31 last. After paying all expenses, there remain, including \$5,481.28 brought forward from last account, the sum of \$159,940.92 at credit of Profit and Loss Account. From this sum the Directors recommend that a dividend for the half year of 7 per cent. on Capital, or \$112,000, and a bonus of 1 per cent., or \$16,000, be paid to shareholders, and that \$2,500 be written off the value of the iron lighter *Son Lee*, leaving a balance of \$29,440.92 to be carried forward to new account. The completion of the Company's new steamer *Huangshan*, now building at Leith, has been delayed by a succession of strikes in the ship-building trade, but she may be expected here during the Spring. The retiring auditors, Messrs. A.O.D. Gourdin and F. Henderson offer themselves for re-election. —P. Ryrie, Chairman."

Cracker-Firing.
January 24.—"Fifty-four more fire-cracker fends were slammed with the sword of justice this morning. Mr. Robinson fined this lot twenty-five cents each. The 141 yesterday got off with ten cents."

Australia and the Chinese.
January 24.—"Australia keeps making a lot of fuss about the Chinese, saying they 'must go' and so on, but apparently the heathen who are there are by no means 'mashed on' the place. Two men left it by the Airline, anyhow, even although they had no tickets, and were sentenced to a week's imprisonment each today for allowing away."

Dr. Talmage's "Beautiful Scheme."
January 24.—"The Rev. Dr. Witt Talmage has a beautiful scheme for reducing the whole world to 'Christianity'. He has satisfactorily figured out that if every 'Church Christian' makes one convert a year, and each convert does ditto, at the end of the year there will be fifteen hundred million 'Christians'—to wear long black coats, take up collections, and the sugar and file their shovels. The world would require another great Flood and a fresh start."

(Seemingly Mr. Fraser Smith, like some of our recent correspondents, was no great advocate of the missionary idea.)

"Nothing Doing."
January 25.—"There is positively nothing doing in town to-day, the cricket match and regatta absorbing everybody's attention. This fact, and the circumstances that our reporter is a fugitive in Yunnan, on account of a fatal fracas he had during the morning with a chair-ocle, must be our excuse for this issue not being so eighteen-carat as usual."

"A Revolving Spectacle."
January 28.—"It appears that on Friday evening last, a new arrival in the town, described as 'a female of a certain class' in the *Daily Press*, committed the great enormity of indulging in a few waltz steps with a certain male person at the Race Course, believing that their impromptu practice for the winter dances was only witnessed by their personal friends. Of course, considering the strictly moral atmosphere which has enveloped the Hongkong Race Course, it was very wrong of the lately-arrived young female to fancy herself in San Francisco, and, under that erroneous impression, commit such an enormity as to waltz in open daylight with a gentleman—who at least certainly ought to have known better; but we very gravely doubt whether such perfectly innocent recreation can be

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATIONS.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to promote Lieutenant David Landale, Hongkong Volunteer Reserve, to be Captain, and 2nd Lieutenant E. Evan Jones, Hongkong Volunteer Reserve, to be Lieutenant, with effect from the 23rd Jan., 1915.

Dr. Gerard Hall Lloyd Fitz-Williams was duly re-elected a member of the Sanitary Board at the election held on the 22nd instant in accordance with Government Notification No. 9 of the 11th instant.

Mr. Philip Wallace Goldring was duly elected a member of the Sanitary Board at the election held on the 22nd instant in accordance with Government Notification No. 9 of the 11th instant.

fairly described as 'a most indecent and revolting spectacle.'

"A Rough Handful."
January 25.—"The other day a lot of men belonging to the American ship *William H. Lincoln* went to gaol, for seven days, rather than stay on the ship. They were afterwards discharged by the captain. Last night a lot of them saw the mate in Queen's Road. With professional promptitude they laid him out; and then wiped their feet on various parts of him. He was afterwards drawn together again with a few stitches by the doctor, and three of the men are back in gaol waiting till he gets well."

1890.

SHARE REPORT.

The quotations which follow are from the *Hongkong Telegraph* for Jan. 30, 1890.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—194 per cent. premium; sellers.
Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$103 per share; buyers.
China Traders' Insurance Company—\$72 per share; buyers.
North China Insurance—Tla. 350 per share; buyers.

Canton Insurance Company, Ltd.—\$130 per share.

Yangtze Insurance Association—Tla. 80 per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$400 per share; sellers.

China Fire Insurance Company—\$89 per share; buyers.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—60 per cent. premium; sellers.

Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company—\$41 per share; sellers.

China and Manila Steamship Company—\$120 per share; buyers.

Hongkong Gas Company—\$135 per share; sellers.

Hongkong Hotel Company—\$200 per share; sellers.

Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$501.

Indo-China S.N. Company—12 per cent. div.; buyers.

Douglas Steamship Company—\$64 per share; sellers.

China Sugar Refining Company, Ltd.—\$228 per share; sellers.

Luxon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$71 per share; sellers.

Hongkong Ice Company—\$110 per share; buyers.

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.—\$104 per share; sellers.

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$100 per share; sellers.

Hongkong Dairy Farm Co. Ltd.—\$14 per share; sellers.

A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd.—\$23 per share; sellers.

Hongkong High Level Tramway Co., Ltd.—200 per cent. prem.; sellers.

Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.—\$25 per share.

Green Island Cement Co. (old issue)—\$43 per share; buyers.

Green Island Cement Co. (new issue)—\$5 per share; buyers.

Hongkong Land Investment Co., Ltd.—\$101 per share; buyers.

Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.—\$4 per share; buyers.

West Point Buildings Co. Ltd.—\$45 per share; buyers.

OLD HONGKONG.

Further Facts from
Old Records.

(Continued from Thursday.)
The year 1853 saw the attendance of the Press at meetings of the Legislative Council for the first time, the debates of that august body having been, prior to that time, held in camera, doubtless because of the acrimony that invaded the discussions and the official relations of many of the members. When the papers had not the delight of reporting pen-pictures of men being strung to the yardarms of vessels in the harbour, they spared many a spicy column for dealing with the alleged delinquencies of the various officials, the damaging rumour concerning the receipt of "queer" being frequently connected with the names of officials, who at times brought local editors to book and, incidentally, to gaol.

An Interesting Trial.

In connection with this, it is interesting to note that an Attorney-General under suspension appeared to defend an article written in a local paper which he, in his official capacity, had declared to be libellous. The trial must have been a fund of much amusement to any blessed with a keen sense of humour. The suspended Attorney-General, who had been making things hot for his confederates, called several of his colleagues and, as has been remarked, "a regular mutiny" seized them. Illness was the common excuse for their non-appearance at the trial to give evidence, and one of them actually sat in court while the Colonial Surgeon presented a certificate proving the illness of the absent witness! Singularly enough, the Attorney-General, whose appearance for the defence in a prosecution by the Crown raised no small flutter in Government dovecotes, secured the acquittal of his client, who, on his counsel's own statement, in another capacity, had written a libellous article!

This appearance of a suspended official in a private role was only of a piece with the general happenings in the Colony, and it was said of 1853 that the year marked the prosecution of deadly feuds between officials and others to the detriment of the public service in Hongkong. In fact, so bad was the state of affairs that an investigation meeting was held in Newcastle to protest against the going-on of officials in the new appendage to the British Crown.

A Practical Editor.

The list of the good things that the press has done for Hongkong is too rarely known and among them we do not suppose that many know that the editor of one of the local journals, before he attained that eminence, was attached to the Land Office of the Colony and was superintendent of the work of cutting the well-known pass into the Wong-kei-chung Valley and many other early roads and works of Hongkong.

Buccaneering Exploits.

It seems that some of the souls in Hongkong were always in search of some sort of adventure, and the records of the Colony report a buccaneering trip made by two Englishmen and some Americans, as well as Chinese. Apparently the matter arose out of a failure of the Canton Government to pay for the services of some Hakka soldiers whom they had disbanded. As a result, these men, with European aid, raided Sunning, near Macao, and, in a brisk engagement which followed, the raiders suffered severe punishment, three Europeans and a number of others being killed. Brought to trial at Hongkong on a charge of misdemeanour, the accused pleaded guilty, but claimed that, though the Government had been informed of their intentions prior to setting out, they had received no warning against carrying them out. On this, the Newcastle Foreign Affairs Association had occasion to address a petition to the Home Government, but without avail.

(To be continued.)

SOUTH WALES BORDERERS' FUND.

The Fund Now Administered.

Those who subscribed to the Telegraph Fund on behalf of British soldiers wounded at Tientsin will be glad to hear that the Fund has been administered to the entire satisfaction of the men. They have now left for home, but before going they expressed, in a letter to us, their deep gratitude for the very kind way in which they were treated during their stay in the Colony and requested us to convey to subscribers to the Fund their sincerest thanks.

Below we give a statement of the receipts and payments in connection with the fund, the accounts having been kindly audited by Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming:—

Statement of Receipts and
Payments of the
"Hongkong Telegraph" South
Wales Borderers' Fund.

To Subscriptions as acknowledged in the Hongkong Telegraph dated 16th January, 1915.	\$1,012.45
Less Two amounts not received.	10.00
	\$1,002.45

By Sundries purchased, and cash paid to Privates Armstrong, Jenkins, Jones, Loveridge and Venn.	\$944.70
By Cash handed to Command Paymaster, China Command, Hongkong, to be forwarded to Private Jones.	57.75
	\$1,002.45

We have seen vouchers for all payments connected with the foregoing Account, and have verified the receipts with the announcement in the Hongkong Telegraph.

PERCY SMITH, SETH, AND FLEMING.
Hongkong, 30th January, 1915.

"THE GROTESQUES."

The Theatre Royal was well filled last night, when "The Grotesques" repeated the performance given on the opening of their season on Friday. The best indication of the success of the performers was the fact that the house was kept in a constant state of laughter, while so delighted were those present with the fare served up that numerous encores had to be given. Mr. Fred Winn was, of course, the life and soul of the party; seldom has Hongkong seen such a clever or funny comedian. In "The Village Concert," which was the tit-bit of the evening, he was superb as the vicar, and his efforts in this little extravaganza were ably seconded by other members of the party. The songs of Miss Lilian Gwynne and Mr. Arthur Argent were beautifully rendered, while Mr. Ewart Scott made a great hit with his turn, "Sammy the Dashing Dragoon." Miss Irene Graville, Miss Phoebe Hodgson and Mr. Hugh Bailey also contributed much to the fun of the evening, while Mr. Albert Simmer was faultless as an accompanist.

To-night a complete change of programme will be given—Amateur Theatricals: All Right on the Night.

Victoria Theatre.

Considering that there were other attractions in the Colony, the Victoria Theatre had quite a good house last night, when the new programme was entered upon. There were two long films: "The Family Diamond," which is full of hairbreadth escapes and wondrous doings by means of X-rays, motor boats, diving, etc., and a Russian tragedy: "Rescuing the Whirlwind." There were also two comedies: "Tommy's Sister" and "The Bore," and an exceedingly pretty fairy play, in colours: "The Golden Talip."

PUBLIC COMPANIES.

UNION WATERBOAT Co., Ltd.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Tenth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Limited, on Tuesday, the 9th February, 1915, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December 1914.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd February to 9th February, 1915, both days inclusive.

DODWELL & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 29th January, 1915.

THE KOWLOON LAND and
BUILDINGS CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Twenty Sixth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Company's Offices, Victoria Buildings on Wednesday, the 10th February, 1915 at Noon for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with statement for the year ending 31st December, 1914.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Wednesday 3rd to Wednesday, 10th February, 1915 (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the
HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., Ltd.,
Agents for
The Kowloon Land & Building Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 27th Jan. 1915.

THE HONGKONG LAND
RECLAMATION CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Fourteenth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. on Tuesday, 2nd February, 1915 at 12.15 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with a statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1914.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Tuesday, 26th January to Tuesday, 2nd February, 1915 (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 15th January, 1915.

HONGKONG, CANTON and
MACAO STEAMBOAT Co., Ltd.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Ninety Fifth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Hotel Mansions, on Tuesday, the 9th February, 1915, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 26th January to the 9th February, 1915, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

W. E. CLARKE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 19th January, 1915.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY
CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Twenty Seventh Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the offices of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Limited, on Tuesday, the 2nd February, 1915, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with the statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1914.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Friday, 22nd January, to Tuesday, 2nd February, 1915 (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1915.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

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Notice is hereby given that the Twenty Seventh Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Company, Limited, on Tuesday, the 2nd February, 1915, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of Directors together with the statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1914.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Friday 22nd January to Tuesday, 2nd February, 1915 (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.
The Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.,
General Agents for
The West Point Building Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1915.

NOTICE

Messrs. Wm. YOUNGER & CO., LTD., EDINBURGH,
Ales and Stout.
THE CRAIGELLACHIE-
GLENLIVET DISTILLERY
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We have taken over the agencies of the above Companies in Hongkong and shall be glad to submit prices and particulars on application.

BRADLEY & CO., LTD.,
4, Queen's Building.
Hongkong, 27th January, 1915.

NOTICE

L'UNION
FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.
OF PARIS.

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Rue de la Paix, Paris.

NOTICE

THE EAST INDIA SEA &
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We have taken over the agency of the above Company in Hongkong and are now prepared to grant FIRE and MARINE policies of insurance at current rates.

THE CHINA COMMERCIAL CO.,
3, Duddell Street.
Hongkong, 16th January, 1915.

NOTICE

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL
ESTATE, LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the First Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Tuesday, the 2nd February, 1915, at 11.45 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with the statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1914.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Friday, 22nd January, to Tuesday, 2nd February, 1915 (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL
ESTATE LTD.,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to
The General Managers.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1915.

NOTICES

HONGKONG STOCK
EXCHANGE.

The Committee has decided that the following shall be the settlement days for the year 1915:—

Thursday	January 28th
Friday	February 26th
Friday	March 26th
Wednesday	April 28th
Friday	May 28th
Friday	June 25th
Wednesday	July 28th
Friday	August 27th
Tuesday	September 28th
Wednesday	October 27th
Friday	November 26th
Wednesday	December 2nd

By order of the Committee.
EDWARD M. RAYMOND,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1915.

THE NATIONAL LOAN
of the
THIRD YEAR OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA.
SIXTEEN MILLION DOLLARS (\$16,000,000).

Subscribers to the above loan are hereby notified that, in accordance with Article V of the Loan Regulations, the full amount of Dollars Nine Hundred and Sixty Thousand (\$960,000), being the amount of interest on the loan for one year, has been duly raised by the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Communications, and has been deposited by the undersigned in the following Foreign Banks, namely, the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation and the Russo-Asiatic Bank, as a permanent guarantee for the interest on the loan.

F. A. AGLEN,
Inspector General of Customs, & Vice-Chairman of the Bureau of National Loans.
Inspectorate General of Customs, Peking.
18th January, 1915.

TO-DAY'S
ADVERTISEMENTS.THEATRE LOYAL, QUEEN'S
COLLEGE.In aid of
THE PRINCE OF WALES' FUND.

Under the Patronage of H.E. the Governor.

On February 4th, 5th and 6th the Chinese Members of the Amateur Dramatic Club of Queen's College will present, in the College Hall, A CHINESE PLAY.

The performance will begin at 7.30 p.m. Tickets, of the nominal value of one dollar, may be obtained on application to the Hon. Sec., Q.C.A.D.C.

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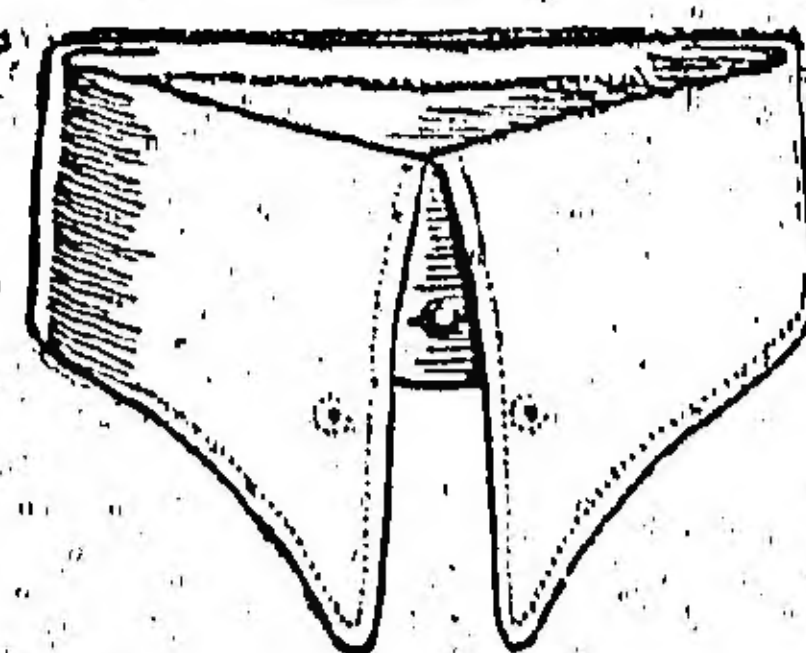
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Hongkong, Jan. 23, 1915

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HONGKONG TO CANTON: | CANTON TO HONGKONG.
SATURDAY, 30th JANUARY.

5.00 p.m. Kinshan.

SUNDAY, 31st JANUARY.

5.00 p.m. Fatshan.

Single Fare by Night Steamer	8.00
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MACAO TO HONGKONG.

Week days at 8 a.m. & 1.30 p.m. Sundays at 8 a.m. & 1.30 p.m.

EXCURSION TO MACAO.

SUNDAY, 31st JANUARY.

The Company's new Steamship TAISHAN

will depart from the COMPANY'S WING LOK STREET WHARF at 8 a.m. and return from Macao at 1.30 p.m.

N.B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday at 8 a.m., and from Hongkong at 1 p.m. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

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Destination.	Steamers.	Sailing Date
MARSEILLES AND LONDON, via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez & Port Said	Kamo Maru Capt. Shimidzu Kashima Maru Capt. Yagi	16,000 T. (THURS., 11th Feb. at noon.) 19,000 T. (THURS., 25th Feb. at noon.)

VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE via S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, and Yokohama	Sado Maru Capt. Asakawa	12,500 T. (TUES., 9th Feb. at noon.)
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SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, via Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville and Brisbane	Hilachi Maru Capt. Sato Tango Maru Capt. Soyeda	13,500 T. (FRIDAY, 12th Feb. at 4 p.m.) 13,500 T. (FRI., 12th Mar. at 4 p.m.)
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CALCUTTA via Spore, Penang & Rangoon	Ceylon Maru Capt. Shinobe	12,000 T. (SATUR., 6th Feb.)
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BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo	Jinsen Maru Capt. Terada	5,000 T. (TUES., 9th Feb.)
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SHANGHAI, Kobe, S'hai and Kobe	Rangoon Maru Capt. Nomura Kawachi Maru Capt. Nakamura	12,500 T. (SATURDAY, 20th Feb.) 12,500 T. (TUES., 9th Feb.)
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NAGASAKI, Kobe & Yokohama	Tango Maru Capt. Soyeda	13,500 T. (TUES., 9th Feb. at 10 a.m.)
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KOBE & Yokohama	Mishima Maru Capt. S. Wada	16,000 T. (SATUR., 6th Feb. at 11 a.m.)
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PASSENGER SEASON FOR 1915.

FOR EUROPE.

Steamers.	Displacement.	Leave Hongkong.
Kamo Maru	16,000 tons	Thursday 1st February
Kashima	20,000 "	" 21st February
Mishima	16,000 "	" 11th March
Suwa	25,000 "	" 25th March
Asuta	16,000 "	" 8th April
Yasaka	25,000 "	" 22nd April
Miyasaki	16,000 "	" 6th May
Kitano	16,000 "	" 20th May
Fushima	25,000 "	" 3rd June

FOR AMERICA.

Steamers.	Displacement.	Leave Hongkong.
Sado Maru	12,500 tons	Tuesday 9th February
Yokohama	12,500 "	" 23rd February
Awa	12,500 "	" 9th March
Shidzuoka	12,500 "	" 23rd March
Tamba	12,500 "	" 6th April
Aki	12,500 "	" 20th April
Sado	12,500 "	" 4th May

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T. KUSUMOTO, Manager.

CHINA NAVIGATION
CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	Steamers.	To Sail.
SHANGHAI	Chenan	31st Jan. at 4 p.m.
PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	Kailong	2nd Feb. at 11 a.m.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	Kuelchow	2nd Feb. at noon.
SHANGHAI	Anhui	2nd Feb. at 4 p.m.
NINGPO & SHANGHAI	Shoahsing	2nd Feb. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Yingchow	4th Feb. at 4 p.m.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	Taming	9th Feb. at 4 p.m.

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Tibodas	JAVA	2nd half Jan.	JAPAN	1st half Feb.
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Tjikembang	JAPAN	1st half Feb.	JAVA	1st half Feb.
Tjiluwong	JAVA	1st half Feb.	JAPAN	1st half Feb.
Tjilatjap	JAVA	1st half Mar.	JAPAN	1st half Mar.
Tjitaroem	JAVA	2nd half Mar.	S'hai	2nd half Mar.

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Nippon Maru	11,000 - 18 knots	Tuesday, 9th February.
Shinyo Maru	22,000 - 21 knots	" 23rd February.
Chiyo Maru	22,000 - 21 knots	" 23rd March.
Tenyo Maru	22,000 - 21 knots	" 13th April.

Steamers via Shanghai leave at noon.

Steamers via Manila leave at 10.30 a.m.

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Steamer.	Arrive Hongkong from Australia.	Leave Hongkong for Australia.
Empire		8th Feb. at 11 a.m.
Aidenham		19th Feb. "
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Haiyang	A. E. Hodgins	TUES., 2nd Feb. at 1 p.m.
Haiching	W. O. Passmore	TUES., 9th Feb. at 1 p.m.

FOR SWATOW.

Haimun	A. H. Stewart	SUN., 31st Jan. at 10 a.m.
Haimun	A. H. Stewart	WED., 3rd Feb. at 1 p.m.

Steamers will arrive at and depart from the Co.'s Wharf near Blake Pier.

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LOG BOOK.

Speed in Shipbuilding.

Speed in shipbuilding is a point to which attention has only been directed of recent years, says the *Manchester Guardian*. In the old days vessels lay for years on the stocks, and were perhaps only completed in time of national emergency. But in those days the design of warships changed very slowly—the Victory herself was over 40 years old when she achieved immortality—and little harm was occasioned by delay. In these days, however, it has been appreciated that a ship is of the type prevailing at the date of her design, not of her completion—for interference with the original plans in nearly all cases has meant nothing but disaster. That being so, it is obviously desirable that she should be completed in the shortest possible time in order that she may have as long as possible in commission before she passes into the obsolescent class. The record in battleship building was, of course, achieved when Lord Fisher was previously at the Admiralty, when the Dreadnought, first of the all-big-gun ships, was launched some five months after the laying of her keel and commissioned some nine months later. Fourteen months and nine days were the total period. But in her case the admission must be made that the performance was exceptional. Everyone knew that a record was to be attempted, and material in great quantity was assembled ever a rivet was struck. Later vessels, however, of the largest class have been completed in about two years from the date of laying down. Two years for a battleship in this country is supposed to be the standard time. The German Dreadnoughts of the earlier types were about 50 per cent. longer in building. Thus, the Nassau took 40 months, the Westphalen 37 months. The Rheinland also took just over the three years to complete, but the Poseidon reduced this time to just 36 months. Even at that time the First Lord of the day stated in the House of Commons that if desired the German yard could perform the work in a still shorter time.

It is not practicable to build a battleship, at all events in time of peace, in the ordinary way in less than 24 months, and in certain cases from various causes this period has been exceeded in certain recent ships. The period taken for the building of heavy armoured cruisers is fully as great as that of battleships. As regards light cruisers, we may take as a good example—till to-day—the case of the *Arethusa*—the vessel which distinguished herself in the Heligoland engagement at the end of August. Her keel was laid in the Royal Dockyard at Chatham on October 29, 1912, and she was floated on the 25th October following, being thus just under a year in that stage. This may appear somewhat long for a vessel of her class, but she was floated out of dock, not launched, and so was probably very well forward at the time. On commissioning she went almost direct to Heligoland, and earned her fame within 22 months of the laying of her keel. The *Caroline's* achievement compares well indeed with this. She need not have been completed before May 21, 1915. She was, in fact, delivered on December 17, 1914, over five months under contract time, and ten months and twenty days only after the date of her launch. Germany has not as yet done anything as fast as this, though her building of torpedo boat destroyers has at times been faster than ours. Of recent years great secrecy has been observed in both countries, and it is difficult to tell the actual time occupied in construction, especially of smaller craft. But in this country we have had destroyers belonging to the programme of the year which begins on April 1, provisionally ordered in December, actually laid down in the middle of March, and running their trials in the following January. Such a vessel would thus not be finished till some twenty-one months after the beginning of the financial year to which she really belonged, though, in fact, her construction, when at last it was undertaken, would not occupy more than about ten months.

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For	Steamship	On
MANILA	Loongsang	Sat., 30th Jan. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Wingsang	Tues., 2nd Feb. at 4 light
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Choysang	Tues., 2nd Feb. at 4 light
Kobe	Laisang	Wed., 3rd Feb. at 4 light
HAIPHONG	Taksang	Wed., 3rd Feb. at 8 a.m.
MANILA	Talsang	Sat., 6th Feb. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI & Kobe	Kumsang	Tues., 9th Feb. at 4 light

FOR THE MANILA CARNIVAL—January 31st to 7th February, 1915.

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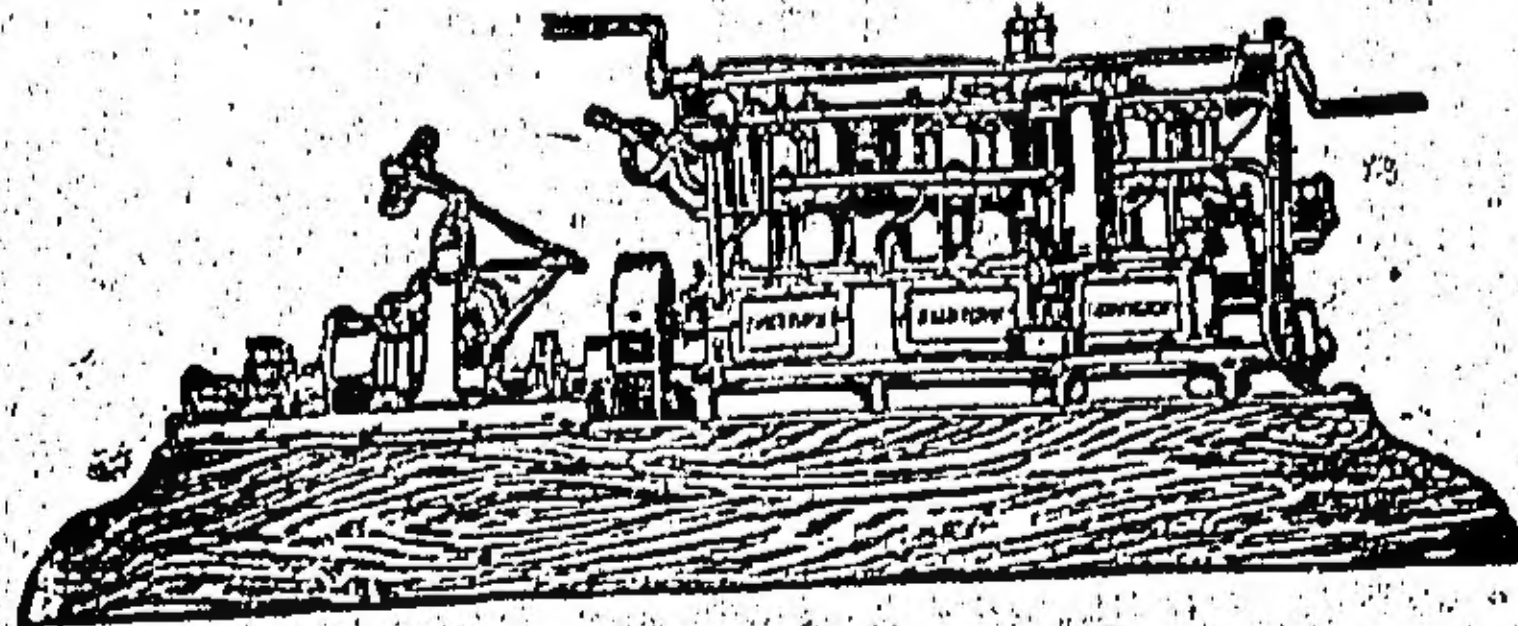
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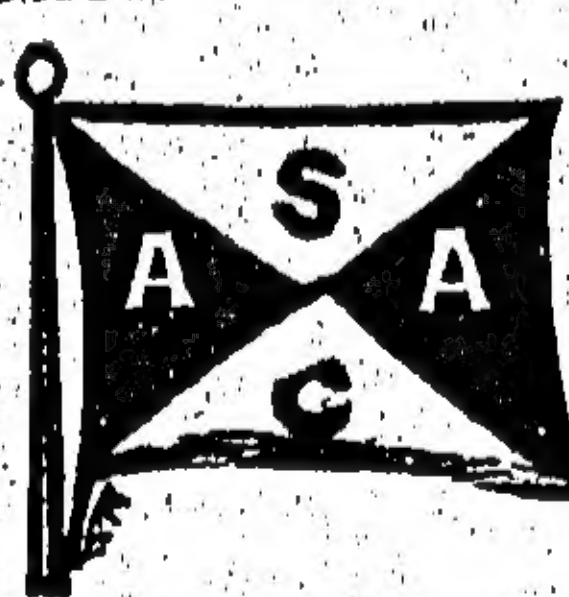
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VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.

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Tungus, Norw. s.s. 1,039, C. Cornelissen, 23rd inst.—Bangkok, 16th inst. Rice—Chinese.

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Mon	11 m 53 s	11 m 53 s	Wed	11 m 53 s	11 m 53 s
Tues	11 m 53 s	11 m 53 s	Thurs	11 m 53 s	11 m 53 s
Wed	11 m 53 s	11 m 53 s	Fri	11 m 53 s	11 m 53 s
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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 1915.

DENTISTRY.

New Government Regulations.

The following regulations have been made by the Governor-in-Council under Section 8 of the Dentistry Ordinance, 1914:—

1. Every person who is entitled to be registered in the Dentists Register of the General Council of Medical Education and Registration of the United Kingdom shall, upon production of such evidence as would be required for registration by the said General Council, and provided that in the opinion of the Dental Board he is of good character, be entitled to be registered as a dental surgeon.
2. Every person who was bona fide engaged in the practice of dentistry in this Colony for a period of at least one year before the 1st August, 1914, shall be entitled to the grant of a certificate of exemption upon his satisfying the Governor-in-Council, with the advice of the Dental Board, that he was so engaged, that he is of good character, and that there is no reason rendering it undesirable that a certificate of exemption should be granted to him.
3. Every person who was bona fide engaged in the practice of dentistry in this Colony for a period of at least one year before the 1st August, 1914, and who applies for registration before the 14th February, 1915, shall be entitled to be registered as a dental surgeon upon his satisfying the Governor-in-Council, with the advice of the Dental Board, that the qualification possessed by him is such as to furnish sufficient guarantee of the possession of the requisite knowledge and skill for the efficient practice of dentistry, that he is of good character, and that there is no reason rendering it undesirable that a certificate of exemption should be granted to him.
4. Any other person professing to have any qualification in dentistry may be granted a certificate of exemption upon his satisfying the Governor-in-Council, with the advice of the Dental Board, that he has passed through a course of study and examination equivalent to that demanded by the General Council of Medical Education and Registration of the United Kingdom, that the qualification is such as to furnish sufficient guarantee of the possession of the requisite knowledge and skill for the efficient practice of dentistry, that he is of good character, and that there is no reason rendering it undesirable that a certificate of exemption should be granted to him.
5. The fee payable on registration as a dental surgeon or on the grant of a certificate of exemption shall be \$25, and no registration or certificate of exemption shall be deemed to be of any effect until such fee shall have been paid to the Colonial Treasurer by the applicant.
6. The certificate of exemption shall take the form of a certified extract from the register under the hand of the Colonial Secretary.
7. Every person who shall obtain a certificate of exemption shall at all times exhibit the said certificate in a conspicuous place in his surgery or consulting room.
8. No exempted person shall be entitled to administer any general anaesthetic.
9. Nothing in these regulations shall be construed as limiting in any way the powers of the Governor-in-Council under the said Ordinance.

Bishop's Engagements.

The engagements of the Bishop of Victoria for Sunday are as follows:—9.30 a.m., address the students at St. John's Hostel; 11 a.m. Confirmation at St. Paul's Chinese Church; and, in the evening, conduct a service at the Tai-koo Club Hall, Quarry Bay.

NEW ARMY IN THE MAKING.

A Happy Sketch by Kipling.

This was a contentment one had never seen before, and the grey-haired military policeman could give no help.

"My experience," he spoke detachably, "is that you'll find everything everywhere. Is it any particular corps you're looking for?"

"Not in the least," I said. "The voice of a sergeant in the regimental band is something you can't miss getting something." He pointed generally to the North Camp. "It's like that in a town, isn't it?"

He had hit just the word. All known marks in the place were submerged by troops. Parade grounds to their utmost limits were crowded with them; rifles and bayonets were fixed with them; and the whole length of the roads heaved and tripped like bicycle-chains with blocks of men on the move.

The voice of a sergeant in the regimental band is something you can't miss getting something. He was calling over recruits to a specialist corps.

"But I've called you once," he snapped at a man in leggings. "But I'm Clarke Two," was the virtuous reply.

"Oh, you are, are you?" He pencilled the correction with a scornful mouth, out of one corner of which he added, "Sloppy" Clarke. You're all Clarks or Watsons to-day. You don't know your own names. You don't know what corps you are in. (This was bitterly unjust, for they were awaiting up at a bicycle.) You don't know anything.

"Mm!" said the military policeman. "The more a man has in his head, the harder it is for him to manage his carcase—at first. I'm glad I never was a sergeant. Listen to the instructors! Like rocks, isn't it?"

There was half a mile of sergeants and instructors, varied by company officers, all at work on the ready material under their hands. They grunted, barked, yapped, expostulated and, in rare cases, purred as the lines broke and formed and wheeled over the vast maidan.

When companies numbered off one could hear the tone and accent of every walk in life, and maybe half the counties of England, from the deep-throated "Woo!" of the North to the sharp, half-whistled Devonshire "Tu." And as the instructors laboured, so did the men—with a passion to learn as passionately as they were taught.

A Soldier's Sore Toe.

Presently in the drift of the foot-traffic down the road there came another grey-haired man, one foot in a gay slipper, which showed he was an old soldier cherishing a sore toe. He drew alongside and considered these zealous myriads.

"Good!" said I deferentially. "Yes," he said. "Very good"—then half to himself—"quite different, though." A pivot man close to us had shifted a little in the wheel. His face clouded, his lips moved. Obviously he was cursing his own clumsiness.

"That's what I meant," said the veteran. "Innocent! Innocent! Mark you, they ain't doing it to be done with it and get off. They're doing it because they want to do it."

"Wake up! Wake up there! This was a young subaltern's reminder flag, at a back which straightened itself. That one human name coming out of all that maze of impersonal manoeuvring stood in the memory. "An' it wasn't hardly even necessary to caution Mister Isherwood," my companion com-

mented. "Probbly he's bitterly ashamed of 'imself."

I asked a leading question because the old soldier told me that when his toe was sound he, too, was a military policeman.

"Crime? Crime!" said he. "They don't know what crime is—that lot don't—none of 'em!" He mourned over them like a benevolent old Satan looking into a busy Eden, and his last word was "Innocent!"

The car worked her way through miles of men—men route-marching, or going to dig or build bridges, or wrestle with stores and transport—four or five miles of men, and every man with eager eyes.

No Music.

There was no music—not even drums and fifes. I heard nothing but a distant skirl of the pipes. Trust a Scot to get his national weapon as long as there is a chief in the North! Admitting that war is a serious business, specially to the man who is being fought for, and that it may be right to carry a long face and contribute to relief funds which should be laid on the National Debt, it surely could do no harm to cheer the men with a few bands. Half the money spent in treating, for example.

There was a moor among woods with a pond in a hollow, the centre of a world of tents whose population was North-Country. One heard it from far off.

"Yo' mun trail 'pick an' rids at it' same time. Try again," said an instructor.

An isolated company tried again with set seriousness, and yet again. They were used to the pick-won their living by it, in fact—and so, favoured it more than the rifle; but miners don't carry picks at the trail by instinct, though they can twiddle a rifle as one twiddles a walking stick.

They were clad in a blue garb that disguised all contours; yet their shoulders, backs and loins could not be altogether disguised, and these were beautiful to see. Another company, at physical drill, showed what superb material had offered itself to be worked upon, and how much poise and directed strength had been added to that material in the last three months.

Man and the Clothes.

When the New Army gets all its new uniforms, it will gaze at itself like a new Narcissus. But the present kit is indescribable. That is why, English-fashion, it has been made honourable by its wearers; our world in the years to come will look back with reverence as well as affection on those blue slops and that blasting cap. One far-seeing commandant, who had special facilities, had possessed himself of brass buttons, thousands of 'em, which he has added to his men's outfit for the moral effect of (a) having something to clean and (b) of keeping it so. It has paid.

The smartest regiment in the service could not do itself justice in such garments, but I managed to get a view of a battalion, coming from a walk, at a distance which more or less subdued the—er—uniform, and they moved with the elastic swing and little, quick ripple that means so much.

A miner is not supposed to be as good a marocher as a townsman, but when he gets set to time and pace and learns the economy of effort, his developed back and shoulder muscles take him along very handsomely. Another battalion fell in for parade while I watched again at a distance. They came to hand quietly and collectedly enough, and with only that amount of pressing which is due to a fear of being late. A platoon—or whatever they call it—was giving the whole of its attention to its signalling instructor with the air of men resolved on getting the last flicker of the last cinema-film for their money. Crime in the military sense, they do not know any more than their fellow-innocents up the road.

No Shams Here.

It is hopeless to pretend to be other than what one is because one's soul in this life is exposed as one's body. It is futile to tell civilian lies—there are civilians to listen—and they have not yet learned to tell Service ones without being detected.

It is useless to sulk at any external condition of affairs, because the rest of the world with which a man is concerned is facing those identical conditions. There is neither poverty nor riches, nor any possibility of pride, except insofar as one may do one's tasks a little better than one's mate.

In the point of food they are extremely well looked after, quality and quantity, wet canteen and dry. Drafts come in all round the clock, and they have to be fed; late guards and sentries want something hot at odd times, and the big marquees canteen is the world's gathering place where food, life's first interest to a man in hard work, is thoroughly discussed. They can get outside of a vast vittle. Thus, a contractor who delivers 10,000 rations a day stands, by deputy at least, in the presence of just the number of rather fit, long, deep men. They are what is called "independent"—a civilian weakness which they will learn to blush over in a few months, and to discourage among later recruits; but they are also very quick to pick up dories and tricks that make a man more comfortable in camp life, and their domestic routine runs on wheels.

World Without Woman.

It must have been hard at first for civil—as to see the necessity for that continuous apparently pernickety house-maiding and "following-up" which is vital to the comfort of large bodies of men in confined quarters.

In civil life men leave these things to their women-folk, but where women are not, officers, inspecting tents, feet and such-like, develop a she-side to their head, and evidently make non-coms and men develop it, too. A good soldier is always a bit of an old maid. But as I heard a private say to a sergeant, in the matter of some kit chucked into a corner, "Yo' canna keep 'owt redd up on'y proper road on a sandhill." To whom his superior officer said: "Ah know yo' canna, but yo' mun try, Billy."

And Heaven knows they are trying hard enough—men, non-coms and officers—with all the masked and undevoted effort of our peoples when we are really at work. They stand at the very beginning of things; creating out of chaos, meeting emergencies as they arise; handicapped in every direction, and overcoming every handicap by simple good-will, humour, self-sacrifice, common-sense and such trumpery virtues.

I watched their faces in the camp; and at lunch looked down a line of some 20 men in the mess tent, wondering how many would survive to see the full splendour and significance of the work here so nobly begun. But they were not interested in the future beyond their next immediate job. They ate quickly and went out of it, and by the time I drove away again I was overtaking their battalions on the road. Not unrelated units lugged together for foot-logging, but real battalions, of a spirit in themselves which defied even the blue slops—wave after wave of proper men with undistracted eyes who never talked a word about any war. But not a note of music—and they North-Countrymen!—Rad-yard Kipling in the *Philadelphia Public Ledger*.

F.M.S. Gold Exportation.

During December 1,152 ozs. of gold were exported from the F.M.S. For the whole year 1914, the figures are 13,337.02 ozs, and the duty collected thereon amounted to \$628.09. In the previous year the export was 13,138.29 ozs; duty \$642.46.

A WOMAN IN CHINA.

Ought the White Man to Fear the Chinese?

Most of the great men and women I have met have been, something of a disillusionment to me; either they were disappointing mentally at close quarters, or physically quite different from what I had imagined. A few of them have impressed me more favourably in the flesh than in the book; but, generally, the case of the famous writer works out quite otherwise, as Mr. H. G. Wells reminded the world in his last novel. Broadly speaking, however, the celebrity, when you meet him or her is likely to be merely different from the person you expected to find. One ought to get used to this sort of experience, I suppose, and learn from it to anticipate nothing at all definite; then, perhaps, one would not be surprised so often, but this is difficult.

What, good reader, is your mental picture of a lady who has been all alone—or rather with only black attendants—through uttermost Africa and with yellow attendants only right through least known China? My own juvenile idea I confess was a kind of glorified "Hockey Girl," something above five feet nine in her stockings. (You must excuse the immodesty of the allusion), blimbed and indomitable looking, but not fierce and hard. To put it briefly, this is all wrong.

At lunch the other day I met a quiet, rather shy little lady who might have been the indignant aunt of any 'nice English boy. Really, she was Miss (or Mrs.) Mary Gaunt, the Australian woman who wrote "Alone in West Africa," as well as several good novels and has just written a second travel and exploration volume called "A Woman in China," which Mr. Werner Laurie is publishing.

I was amused to hear from Miss Gaunt herself that she is not a first-rate hand at finding her way about—I believe as a matter of fact she had some difficulty in discovering the luncheon party of which she was to form part in a London hotel—and that although she comes of a plucky stock, and has brothers in our navy, she is not herself an especially courageous person. She admits that frequently she has felt terribly nervous, particularly at night, in the strange lands where she has journeyed; yet she has gone on with her self-imposed task and has come through (so far) unscathed.

In China she pierced right up to the northern battlefields whilst the fighting was still on; and she would have taken her chance further on at the hands of troops whose little better than bandits as well as run the risks of highway robbery had not the military commander (now Prime Minister of China) courteously turned her back. She travelled without any white companion in China, although in China it is understood that no woman should travel alone. She lived by herself for some time in a Chinese temple—the priests let the temples to eligible tenants out there—although this temple was supposed to be haunted by the ghost of a snake and its neighbour by that of a green-eyed dragon. In short, she did all sorts of recklessly brave acts; and nothing ghastly happened.

Over-civilised China? Our author does not pretend to understand China; no white man or woman can hope to do that. She does not state dogmatically whether China will Westernise herself, as Japan has done, or continue to exist on Western lines, or fall to pieces of sheer decay. But she speculates agreeably; and she reports conflicting local opinions. She diagnoses China

as over-civilised and consequently effete; too wedded to precedent and tradition; too disciplined and therefore lacking in initiative and what I may call "ginger." She welcomes the signs of discontent and progressive tendencies that are evident here and there among the young Chinese.

Sir Robert Hart, who probably knew more about China than any other white man, always refused to be "positive" concerning its future. "Anything may happen in China," he used to say. To Miss Gaunt modern China seems very much what ancient Babylon must have been: it is Babylon lingering on into the twentieth century. The Chinese people are subservient to the white man, as they are obedient to their own rulers. The working folk are the most abjectly disciplined in the world; but when their obedience and discipline go by the board they are the most terrible and cruel.

Herself not definitely religious, Miss Gaunt can yet sympathise with one or two phases of mission effort in China, although like many of us she thinks that there is still work for high-minded men and women to do in the slums of Europe. The Christian missionaries in China make practically no converts; Miss Gaunt appears to doubt whether they make any at all. But they are helping to break down the foolish and barbarous practice of foot-binding.

Low Standard of Living. Countless writers have praised the industry of the Chinese; but it is really no virtue, only a necessity. China naturally is a rich country, but it is undeveloped, and the mass of the people are poorer than any other people in the world. They have no social life to speak of; their standard of living is incredibly low. Here again the influence of the missions indirectly is good; they preach and endeavour to get their pupils to practise a higher standard of life, including elementary cleanliness. The missionaries have done something to arouse the desire for better things, materially at least. Some of them conform to Chinese customs, but Miss Gaunt thinks this a mistake. The Chinaman is a political and economic danger to Europe and America and Australia because of his few physical needs and his content to satisfy them by abnormally long hours of labour—he does not do much work in a given time by the way as the European worker. In helping to break down the old patriarchal system of China, which robbed the individual of his responsibility and so of his freedom also, the missions are accomplishing a great thing for human civilisation. The West must level up the East so that the East shall not level down the West.

Incidentally, as Miss Gaunt points out, they are also opening up new avenues for profitable trade. Some of the younger Chinamen see the possibilities, and are keen to develop them. Our author thinks that China will adapt herself to the new conditions, and probably rebuild herself into a great nation, worthy of the men who made the Forbidden City and Jehol and the Great Wall, 2,000 miles long, over mountain and valley; and who conceived the Altar of Heaven—"the most glorious altar ever dedicated to any deity."

China is a country of shaven-headed men and bald-headed women; probably the women lose their hair prematurely owing to the method of dressing it. An American, consulted by Miss Gaunt, had a more ingenious explanation. "On their marriage the women have some of their front hair plucked out so as to give a square shape to the forehead. The rest of the hair gets discoloured like," suggested the American, and baldness ensues.

Although China generally is a treeless country, Peking seen from its walls looks like a great orchard, notwithstanding the crowded na-

HARBOUR REGULATIONS.

The following paragraph has been added to Government Notification No. 286 of the 3rd August, 1914, Part 1, Clause (d):—

"(11)—If the Senior Naval Officer considers it desirable to close only one entrance by day the following signals will be hoisted:—

Eastern Entrance Closed, 3 Red Balls at Cape D'Aguilar and Blackhead Hill.

Western Entrance Closed, 3 Red Balls at Ma Wan, Custom Station, Green Island and Harbour Office."

The Gazette contains the following notification:—Passes for vessels, launches, etc., leaving the Harbour can be obtained from the Examination Office, Naval Yard, on production of a certificate countersigned by the Harbour Master, between the hours of 7 a.m. and 4.45 p.m. except on Saturdays and Sundays when the Examination Office will be closed for such business at 12.15 p.m.

ture of its narrow streets on closer scrutiny; and, indeed, Peking is one of the best planned of cities.

Fond of Fat Women.

The Chinese like fat women. But it is not correct form to express affection for "your wife" or for a wife to make a fuss of her husband. The sexes never mix in public. Even at the theatre there are separate women's galleries; and no male defiles them by his presence. Until a year or two ago there were no women actresses in China; men played all the parts. To-day there are women companies which contain no men—mixed companies of players are not tolerated. But the actress ranks rather lower in China than the prostitute. In some theatres they supply hot damp towels to wipe your face with.

The Peking crowd is the most orderly in the world; but at night you fall over an unemployed policeman every few yards.

Party feeling runs high in China, as here in the piping times of peace. Miss Gaunt gossiped with a "modernised" Chinaman: "We talked of Yuan Shih-k'ai and he, being of the opposition party, expressed his opinion freely, and, considering all things, very boldly about him."

"He has eighteen wives," said he, shaking his head, as if this was the unpardonable sin in a man who desired to imitate the manners and customs of the West.

I repeated this to a friend, and he burst out laughing. "Why, the old sinner!" said he "what's he throwing stones for? He's got seventeen and a half wives himself."

The Watch Committee spirit should flourish in China!

The white men in China do a good deal of racing of a sort; and Miss Gaunt had a friend who started as "partner in a racing stable" with £30—certainly not an extravagant outlay. She refuses to waste tears on the hard lot of the Briton exiled in China; he is better off in most ways than he would be at home, she says. Whether there is some danger in the near future for the foreigner seems to be a matter for difference of opinion. Foreign financial pressure, some think, may rouse the anti-foreign feeling again to explosive level; others rather pooch-pooch the idea. All the white men hope for the best, and make such precautionary arrangements as are possible, and trust to their luck in the true pioneering way. They do not understand the Chinaman, nor expect to. As Miss Gaunt says: "Between us Westerners and the Chinese is a great gulf fixed. We look across and sometimes we wonder, and sometimes we pity, and sometimes we admire; but we cannot understand."

William Pittvis in the *Sunday Chronicle*.

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Hongkong, 26th January, 1915.

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OFFICIAL MARKET PRICES

Hongkong, January 29, 1914.

BUTCHER MEAT.

Beef Sirloin & Prime Cut,—Mei Lung Pa	lb.	21
" Corned,—Ham Ngau Yuk	"	21
" Roast,—Shiu	"	21
" Breast,—Ngau Lam	"	19
" Soup,—Tong Yuk	"	16
" Steak,—Ngau Yuk Pa	"	22
" do.,—Sirloin,—Ngau Lau	"	33
" Sausages,—Ngau Cheung	"	26
Bullock's Brains,—No	per set	12
" Tongue, fresh,—Ham Li	each	50
" corned,—Ham Ngau Li	"	60
" Head,—Ngau Tau	"	\$1.20
" Heart,—Ngau Sam	"	14
" Hump, Salt,—Ngau Kin	"	22
" Feet,—Ngau Keuk	each	12
" Kidneys,—Ngau Yiu	"	12
" Tail,—Ngau Mei	"	20
" Liver,—Ngau Kon	"	13
" Tripe (undressed),—Ngau To	"	6
Calves' Head & Feet,—Ngau-tai-tau-kenk	set	\$1.20
Mutton Chop,—Yeung Poi Kwat	"	16
" Leg,—Yeung Poi	"	26
" Shoulder,—Yeung Shau	"	24
" Saddle	"	27
Pigs Chitlings,—Chu Chong	"	27
" Brains,—Chu No	per set	24
" Feet,—Chu Keuk	lb.	14
" Fry,—Chu Chap	"	18
" Head,—Chu Tau	"	12
" Heart,—Chu Sam	each	18
" Kidney,—Chu Yiu	"	12
" Liver,—Chu Kon	lb.	30
Pork Chop,—Chu Pui Kwat	"	26
" Corned,—Bam Chu Yuk	"	30
" Leg,—Chu Pei	"	20
" Fat or Lard,—Chu Yau	"	20
Sheep's Head and Feet,—Yeung Tau Keuk	set	60
" Heart,—Yeung Sam	each	8
" Kidneys,—Yeung Yiu	"	12
" Liver,—Yeung Kon	lb.	27
Sucking Pigs, to order,—Chu Tsai	"	22
Suet, Beef,—Shang Ngau Yau	"	22
" Mutton,—Shang Yeung Yau	"	27
Veal,—Ngau Tsai Yuk	"	19
" Sausages,—Ngau Tsai Cheung	"	20
Lard,—Chu Yau	"	22

POULTRY.

Chicken,—Kai Tsai	lb.	30
Capons, Large, Small,—Sin Kai	"	30
Ducks,—Ap	"	24
Doves,—Pan Kau	"	18
Eggs, Hen,—Kai Tan (cooking)	per doz	24
Fowls, Canton,—Kai	lb.	34
" Hainan,—Hoi Nam Kai	"	28
Geese,—Ngo	"	24
Pigeons, Canton,—Pak Kap	each	30
" Hoihow,—Hoi How Pak Kap,	"	25
Snake,—Sha Tsai	each	23
Turkeys, Cook,—Fo Kai Kung	lb.	65
" Hen, " " Nal	"	45

FISH.

Barbel,—Ka Yu	lb.	18
Bream,—Pin Yu	"	20
Canton Fresh Water Fish,—Hoi Sin Yu	"	17
Carp,—Li Yu	"	15
Catfish,—Chik Yu	"	22
Codfish,—Man Yu	"	16
Crabs,—Hoi	"	24
Cuttle Fish,—Muk Yu	"	18
Dab,—Sha Mang Yu	"	14
Dace,—Wong Mei Lap	"	15
Dog Fish,—Titi To Sha	"	12
Eels, Conger,—Hoi Man	"	13
" Fresh water,—Tam Sui Yu	"	20
Eels, Yellow,—Wong Sin	"	32
Frogs,—Tin Kai	"	33
Ga mpa,—Shek Pan	"	45
Gudgeon,—Pak Kap Yu	"	18
Herrings,—Tao Pak	"	23
Halibut,—Cheung Kwan Kap	"	28
Labrus,—Wong Fa Yu	"	20
Loach,—Wu Yu	"	28
Lobsters,—Lung Ha	"	30
Mackerel,—Chi Yu	"	20
Monk Fish,—Mong Yu	"	32
Millet,—Chai Yu	"	20
Oysters,—Shang Ho	"	24
Parrot Fish,—Kai Kung Yu	"	12
Perch,—Tau Lo	"	24
Pike,—Fa Pau Fong	"	18
Plaice,—Pan Yu	"	14
Pomfret, Black,—Hak Chong	"	28
Pomfret, White,—Pak Chong	"	32
Prawns,—Ming Ha	"	40
Ray,—Fai Pa Sha	"	12
Rock Fish,—Shek Kiu Kung	"	18
Roach,—Chun Yu	"	12
Salmon,—Ma Yu	"	35
Shark,—Sha Yu	"	8
Skate,—Po Yu	"	10
Shrimps,—Ha	"	24
Snapper,—Lap Yu	"	32
Soles,—Tat Sha Yu	"	32
Tench,—Wan Yu	"	20
Turbot,—Oho How Yu	"	20
Turtles, small, fresh water,—Keuk Yu	"	64

FRUITS.

Almonds,—Bang Yan	lb.	35
Apples (Chloria)—Kam Shan Ping Kho	"	18
" (Chloria)—Tie Chun Ping Kho	"	18
" Small,—Hoi Tong	"	18
Bananas, fragrant, Canton,—San Shing Heung Chiu	lb.	18
" (brides), Macao,—San Heung Chiu	"	3
Chestnuts, Chinese,—Fong Lut	"	—

肉食

Curambols,—Yeung To	"	0
Coconuts,—Ye. Tse	each	12
Grapes,—Po Tai Tsz	lb.	30
Lemons, China,—Ling Mang	"	8
" America,—Kam Shan Ling Mang	"	13
Lichests Dried,—Lai Chi, small Stone	"	30
" Fresh	"	—
Oranges, (Canton)—Shan-shang Tim Ching	lb.	—
" Sweet	"	—
Pears, (American)—K'm San Shool Lay	"	—
" (Canton)—Cooking,—Sha Li	"	19
Peanuts,—Fa Shang	"	10
Persimmons Large,—Hung Tsz	"	8
Pine-apples, 1st quality,—Pun Ti Po Lo	each	—
" 2nd	"	—
Plantain,—Tai Chiu	lb.	3
Plums,—Swatow, Hung Lai	"	—
Pumelo, Siam,—Chim Lo Yau	each	15
" Shanghai,—Lo Kwat	"	—
Walnuts,—Hop To	lb.	15
" Green,—Sang Hop Tuo	"	—
Water Melon,—(Am.) Kom San Sai Kwa	each	—

VEGETABLES, &c.

Artichokes, Shanghai,—Sheung-hoi Ah Ohi	lb.	—
" Oheuk	"	—
Beans, (French), Macao,—Oh Moon Pin Tau	"	—
" (French) Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Pin	"	—
" Sprout,—Ah Ohi	"	8
" Long,—Tau Kok	"	10
Beet Root,—Hung Choi Tau	each	8
Bitter Squash,—Fu Kwa	"	8
Brinjals, Green,—Ching Yuen Kwa	"	8
" Red,—Hung Ke	"	6
Cabbage, Chinese, (common)—Kai Tsai	"	10
Cabbage, Shanghai,—Ye Tsai	"	14
Cane Shoots, bunch,—Kau Shun	lb.	8
Carrots,—Kam Shun	"	12
Celery, Chinese,—Tong Kan Tsai	"	12
Chillies Dried,—Kon Lap Chiu	"	30
" Red,—Hung Fa Chiu	"	12
" Green,—Ching Lap Chiu	"	18
Curry Stuff, English,—Ka Li Chu Liu	"	10
Cucumbers,—Ching Kwa	each	2
Garlic,—Sun Tan	"	8
Ginger, young,—Sun Tse Keung	"	8
" old,—Lo Keung	"	6
Horse Radish, Shanghai,—Lik Kan	"	16
Indian Corn,—Suk Mai	each	5
Lettuce,—Yeung Shang Tsai	"	1
Water Chestnuts,—Ma Tai	lb.	6
" Mandarin,—Kwai Lam Ma Tai	"	8
Mushrooms, Fresh,—Shang Cho Ko	"	35
Musk Melon, Amer.—Kam-san Hong Kwa	each	12
Okroes	lb.	12
Onions Bombay,—Yeung Chong Tau	"	8
" Green,—Shang Chong	"	6
" Shanghai,—Sheung-hoi Chong Tau	"	6
Paraleys,—Kun Tsei	lb.	8
Green Peas,—Ching Tau	"	12
Potatoes, Sweet,—Fan Shu	"	3
" Shanghai,—Sheung-hoi Shu Tau	"	3
" Japan,—Yat Pan Shu Tai	"	3
" American,—Fa Ki Shu Tsai	"	8
" Foochow,—Foc-chow Shu Tsai	"	8
Pumpkin,—Tong Kwa	"	3
Radish,—Hung Lo Pak Tsai	"	5
Rhubarb (Fresh)—Tai Wong	"	12
Sage,—Tse So	"	8
Shallots,—Kon Chong Tau	"	8
Spinach,—Yin Tsai	"	5
Tomatoes,—Tao Ke	"	8
Taro,—Wa Fan	"	6
Turnips, Punt, (Long)—Lo Pak	"	5
" English,—Yeung Lo Pak	"	5
Vegetable Marrow,—Chit Kwa	"	4
" (American)—K'm-san Chit Kwa	"	15
Water Cress,—Sai Yeung Tsai	"	6
" Lily root,—Lin Ngau	"	8
Yams,—Ta Shu	"	8
" English,—Young Kan Choi	"	8
" Tau	"	8

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The above prices are in accordance with the Government list of maximum charges fixed by Proclamation as revised up to the 30th ult. The Proclamation also contained the following schedule of maximum retail prices:—		
1. Flour:—		
(a) Highest Grade, per bag of 50 lbs.,	\$4.50	
per lb.,	10	
(b) Second Grade, per bag of 50 lbs.,	4.00	
per lb.,	08	
(c) Third Grade, per bag of 50 lbs.,	3.50	
per lb.,	07	
2. Tinned Milk:—		
(a) Sweetened Condensed Milk, per 1 lb. tin,	30	
(b) Unsweetened Condensed Milk, per 1 lb. tin,	25	
(c) Sterilized Milk, per tin (18 oz.),	25	
(d) Sterilized Milk, per 1 litre tin,	35	
(e) Eagle Brand, per 1 lb. tin,	33	
(f) Skimmed Milk, per 1 lb. tin,	20	
3. Sugar:—		
Cane, (in 6 lb. tins), per tin,	1.15	
Refined Crystallized, per lb.,	12	
Granulated, per lb.,	12	
Soft, No. 1 quality, per lb.,	12	
No. 2	11	
4. Frozen Meat:—		
Cooking Salt, 2 cents per lb.		

The Dairy Farm prices for frozen food and other stores published on 1st September, 1914, with all changes in prices shown in red ink, are the maximum retail prices for the articles enumerated in the price list of that date. [Approved copies signed by the Chairman and the Secretary of the Food Committee can be seen either at the Treasury or on the premises of the Dairy Farm Company in Wyndham Street.]

5. Market Produce:—(See above)

6. The prices of provisions imported from countries other than China (excepting those above enumerated) may not be raised more than 15 per cent, above the retail prices prevailing in the Colony on the 25th July, 1914.

Note.—In consideration of the loss sustained by discount on subsidiary coinage, payment for all articles of food not exceeding \$1 in value (excepting the articles enumerated in clause 5 in Proclamation No. 18 of the 30th October, 1914, and in the above Schedule) shall if made in subsidiary coin be subject to an additional charge of 15 per cent.

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SHARE REPORT.

COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

S.-SELLERS											SA.-BUYERS											N.-BUYERS											N.-NOMINAL										
STOCK.		To-day's Closing Prices	Number of Shares	Par Value	Paid Up	1914.		1914.		1915.		1915.		Last Dividend and Date																													
						Highest	Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest	Lowest																														
Banks.																																											
H'kong & S'hai Banking Corp.		\$825 b. £71/-	12,000	\$125	all	855	July, 700	Oct.	825	790	{ £22 3/4 at ex 1/10/14 equal to \$22.80 for 1/4 year ending 30/6/14																																
Marine Insurances.																																											
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.		\$340 a.	10,000	\$10	50	350	Dec. 305	Oct.	340	340	{ Final of \$3 a/c 1912. Interim of \$18 a/c 1913.																																
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.		£160 b.	10,000	£15	5	145	May 133	Jan.	160	160	{ Final of 10 p.c. making 20 p.c. for 1912																																
Union Ins. Society of C'ton, Ltd.		\$800 b.	2,400	\$250	100	847 1/2	April 700	Oct.	\$800	\$790	{ Final of \$20 making \$50 for 1912 and Interim of \$30 for 1913																																
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.		\$205 b.	12,000	\$100	60	20	April 192 1/2	Jan.	205	205	{ Final of \$12 mak. \$15 for 1912 & Int. of \$3 for 1913																																
Fire Insurances.																																											
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.		\$150 b.	20,000	\$100	20	160	July 140	Oct.	150	150	{ \$10 for 1912																																
H'kong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.		\$390 b.	8,000	\$250	50	395	Feb. 368	April	390	385	{ \$27 for 1912																																
Shipping.																																											
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.		£6 b.	30,000	\$25	all	10	Jan. 5 1/2	Dec.	6	6	{ \$1 for 1906																																
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.		\$30 s.	20,000	\$50	all	36	Mar. 27 1/2	Nov.	30	30	{ \$3 for year ending 30/6/14																																
Hongkong, C. & M.S.S. Co., Ltd.		19 1/2 b.	80,000	\$15	all	29 1/4	Jan. 22	Dec.	19 1/2	19	{ Interim of 50 cts. for 1/4 year ending 30/6/14																																
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.		£66 s.	{ 60,000 £3 } { 60,000 £3 }		all	79	Jan. 50	Sept.	66	66	{ Final of 3% making 6% on preferred shares & 5% on deferred shares for year 1913																																
Shell T'port & Trading Co., Ltd.		£82 1/2 b.	3,797,610	£1	all	106 1/2	Feb. 70 1/2	Sept.	82 1/2	82 1/2	{ Interim of 1 1/2 a/c 1915 C.No. 23																																
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.		\$37 s.	40,000	\$10	all	49	Mar. 40	Nov.	37	37	{ \$1.70 per share and bonus of 30 cents per share for year ending 30/4/14																																
Refineries.																																											
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.		\$92 b.	20,000	\$100	all	96 1/2	Feb. 70	Nov.	92	85	{ \$3 for 1912																																
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.		\$13 1/2 b.	7,000	\$100	all	31	Jan. 17	Dec.	13 1/2	13 1/2	{ \$3 for 1897																																
Mining.																																											
Kailan Mining Adm'n. 32/-		s.	1,000,000	£1	all	41 1/2	Feb. 33 1/2	Dec.	32/-	32/-	{ Final of 5% Coupon No. 4 making 10% for year ending 30/6/14																																
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.		\$2 1/2 b.	200,000	£1	all	3 1/2	Jan. 1 3/4	Nov.	2 1/2	2 3/4	{ 1/2 for 1909																																
Trench Mines Ltd.		25/6 b.	160,000	£1	all	39 1/2	Feb. 19 1/2	Nov.	25/6	25/6	{ 1 1/2 mak. 7/5 a/c 1913																																
Docks, Wharves and Godowns &c.																																											
Hongkong & K.W.G. Co., Ltd.		\$70 s.	50,000	\$50	all	89	Jan. 73	Nov.	70	70	{ \$3.50 for year 1913																																
H'kong & W'poo D Co., Ltd.		\$57 1/2 s.	50,000	\$50	all	77	Jan. 53	Oct.	57 1/2	57 1/2	{ \$3 dividend for year 1913																																
S'hai Dock & Eng. Co., Ltd.		\$51 b.	55,700	t. 100	all	60	July 50	Dec.	51	51	{ Tls. 5 for 1913																																
S'hai & H'kew W. Co., Ltd.		\$91 b.	56,000	t. 100	all	109	Jan. 82 1/2	Dec.	91	90	{ Interim of Tls 3 for 1913																																
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.																																											
Anglo French Lands		£94 b.	25,000	t. 100	t. 100	—	—	—	94	94	{ Tls. 6 on 29.3.10																																
H'kong Hotel Co., Ltd.		\$124 b.	12,000	\$50	25	128	July 120	Dec.	124	124	{ \$3.50 for half year ending 30/6/14																																
H'kong Land Investment Co., Ltd.		\$114 s.	50,000	\$100	all	117 1/2	July 98	Nov.	114	114	{ \$3 for year ending 30/6/14																																
H'phreys Estate & F. Co., Ltd.		\$74 b.	150,000	\$10	all	94 1/2	Jan. 7	Nov.	74	74	{ 50 cents for 1913																																
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ltd.		\$44 b.	50,000	\$50	30	45 1/2	Jan. 44	Feb.	44	44	{ \$2.80 for 1913																																
Shanghai Lands		t. 101 sa.	78,000	t. 50	all	98	Dec. 89	Oct.	101	98	{ Interim of 5 p.c. for year end'g 30/6/13																																
West Point Building Co., Ltd.		\$71 b.	12,500	\$50	all	73	June 66	Feb.	71	71	{ \$2.00 for half year ending 30/6/14																																
Manila M'pole Hotel		p. 8 b.	15,000	p. 10	all	—	—	—	8	8	{ 15 per cent. for 1910																																
H'kong Central Estates		\$99 b.	10,000	\$100	all	—	—	—	100	99	{ First year.																																
Cotton Mills.																																											
Ewo Cotton S. & W. Co., Ltd.		t. 130 b.	20,000	t. 50	all	138	July 125	May	130	130	{ Tls. 12 for year ending 31/10/14																																
Hongkong Cotton Co., Ltd.		\$6 b.	124,000	\$10	all	8 1/2	Mar. 7	June	6	6	{ 50 cents 31/7/08																																
Kung Yik		t. 114 b.	75,000	t. 10	all	144	Jan. 11	Mar.	114	114	{ Tls. 1.20 for year ending 30/11/14																																
Leau Kung Mow		72 b.	8,000	t. 100	all	110	Feb. 70	May	75	72	{ Tls. 12 for 1913																																
Shanghai Cottons		t. 85 b.	49,000	t. 50	all	135	Feb. 79	Nov.	85	84	{ Tls. 10 for year ending 30/6/13																																
Miscellaneous.																																											
China Borneo Company, Ltd.		\$11 s.	50,000	\$12	all	12	May 10	Dec.	11	11	{ \$1.20 for 1913																																
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.		\$4 s.	50,000	\$5	all	4 3/4	July 4	April	4	4	{ 6% for year ending 28.2.06																																
Do. (Spec. shares)		— s.	50,000	\$1	all	—	—	—	—	—	{ 76 cts. for 1913.																																
China Prov. L. & M. Co., Ltd.		7.90 b.	200,000	\$10	all	9	Jan. 7	Nov.	7.90	7.90	{ \$1.50 for year ending 31/7/14																																
Dairy Farm Company, Ltd.		\$35 s.	40,000	\$7 1/2	all	39	June 35	Aug.	35	35	{ 40 cts. for 1911.																																
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.		5 1/2 b.	400,000	\$10	all	6 3/4	Jan. 5	Dec.	5 1/2	5 1/2	{ \$1.80 per share for 1913																																
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.		\$37 b.	90,000	\$10	all	49	Jan. 38	Nov.	37	37	{ Interim of \$2 1/2 a/c 1914																																
Hongkong Ice Company, Ltd.		\$190 b.	5,000	\$25	all	217 1/2	July 174	Dec.	190	190	{ \$2 for 1913																																
Hongkong Rope Mfg. Co., Ltd.		\$25 b.	60,000	\$10	all	25	June 22	Apr.	25	25	{ Final div. of 6d. making 7 1/2 p.c. share for 1913																																
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.		5 1/2 sa.	325,000	5/-	all	13 1/2	July 7 1/2	Feb.	5 1/2	5 1/2	{ Interim of T. 1 making T. 2 a/c 1913																																
Langkats		t. 43 b.	250,000	p. 10	all	64 1/2	Mar. 28	Dec.	43	38	{ \$80 cts. on fully paid shares and 8 cts. on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.14																																
Peak Tramway Co., Ltd. (Old)		\$10 b.	25,000	\$10	all	10 1/2	Jan. 9 1/2	June	10	10	{ None																																
Do (New)		90 cts. b.	50,000	\$10	all	93 cts.	Jan. 75 cts.	Dec.	90 cts.	75 cts.	{ \$1.50 for 1910.																																
Philippines Ld.		\$5 b.	75,000	\$10	all	—	—	—	5	5	{ None																																
H. Price & Co., Ltd.		\$6 b.	—	—	all	—	—	—	6	6	{ None																																
Societe des Pulpes et Papier-terres du Tonkin		\$30 b.	13,200	\$50	all	—	—	—	20	20	{ None																																
Shanghai Sunarlas		\$135 b.	19,000	t. 20	all	—	—	—	135	135	{ No dividend this year.																																
Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.		\$4 b.	20,000	\$5	all	5.00	June 4	Nov.	4	4	{ 35 cts. for year ending 31/5/14																																
Union Water-boat Co., Ltd.		\$18 b.	50,000	\$10	all	22 1/4	Feb. 17	Jan.	18	18	{ \$1.25 per share for year ending 31.12.1913																																
Watson and Co., Ltd.		\$7 s.	90,000	\$10	all	8 1/2	April 6.90	Dec.	7	7	{ 70 cts. for 1913																																
William Powell, Limited.		\$6 1/2 s.	2,100	\$7	all	9 1/2	Jan. 6 1/2	Dec.	6 1/2	6 1/2	{ 50 cts. on old shares and 25 cts. on new year shares for year ending 30.6.14																																
S. C. Morning Post		\$29 b.	6,000	\$25	all	30	June 29	Dec.	29	29	{ \$1. Interim a/c year 31.8.14																																

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THE TELEGRAPH DOES NOT HOLD ITSELF RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE QUOTATIONS.

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Wright and Hornby, in their share report dated January 30, state:—
A fair amount of business has been transacted during the week and the market closes firm. The steady rise in Langkats has restored confidence to a considerable extent in the speculative market.
Bar Silver is quoted at 22.5/8 per oz. ready market quiet.
Exchange on London opened to-day at 1/0.1/8 T.T.
Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have been in good demand, and the price has risen from \$790 to \$825 buyers with sales at intermediate rates.
Marine Insurances.—Cantons are still offering at \$340 and are without business to report. North Chinas are wanted at \$160, Unions at \$800, and Yangtzes at \$205, Ex. 73.
Fire Insurances.—China Fires are steady at \$150, and Hongkong Fires have been placed at \$385, closing with buyers at \$390.
Shipping.—China and Manilas have changed hands at \$51 and \$6, closing in demand at the latter figure. Douglases are offering at \$30, Indo-Chinas at \$86, and Star Ferries at \$37. Hongkong Canton & Macao Steamboats have changed hands at \$19, \$19 1/2 and \$19 1/2, closing steady at the latter figure; subject to audit the directors have declared a final dividend of 40 cents per share for the latter half of 1914, making 6 per cent. in all for the year. Shell Transports are quoted at 82/- nominal.
Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have sellers at \$57 1/2. Kowloon Wharves are offering at \$70. Shanghai Docks are quoted from Shanghai at Tls. 51 and Hongkew Wharves at Tls. 91, both nominal.

Refineries.—China Sugars are in demand at the enhanced rate of \$92, but shares are scarce and are difficult to obtain. Luzons are in demand at \$13.1-2.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands are obtainable at \$11.1. Humphreys Estates are steady at \$7.1 after sales. Kowloon Lands are steady at \$44 and West Points at \$71. Hongkong Hotels have sold at \$123, closing with small buyers at \$124 Central Estates are wanted at \$99. Shanghai Lands are quoted from Shanghai at Tls. 101, sale.
Mining.—Kauka have risen from \$2.45 to \$2.75, buyers. Kailans are offering at 32/- and Tronchs at 25/6. Langkats have been an active market and shares have been dealt in at various rates from Tls. 38 to Tls. 43 and at equivalent as forward, closing with sellers at the latter figure and buyers at Tls. 42.
Cotton Mills.—Hongkong Cottons are quoted at \$9, buyers; Ewo at Tls. 130, buyers; Kung Yik at Tls. 114, buyers, ex dividend; Shanghai Cottons at Tls. 85, steady; Leau Kung Mow at Tls. 72, buyers; Internationals at Tls. 73, buyers; Soey Chees at Tls. 36 1/2, buyers.

Miscellaneous.—There are buyers of China Providents at \$7.00, Cements at \$5.3 1/4, Ropes at \$25, Peak Trams at \$10 for the old and 90 cents for the new shares, Hongkong Electrics at \$30 1/2 and less at \$190. There are sellers of China Boreas at \$11. Light and Powers at \$4. Dairy Farms at \$35, A. S. Watsons at \$7 and Wm. Powells at \$6 1/2. Sales of Low Level Trams have taken place at \$5 1/2, closing steady.

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Private 30 d/s sight
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T/T Japan 87 1/4
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